

# Washoe County Park and Open Space Grants

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#### **Grant Funding Sources:**

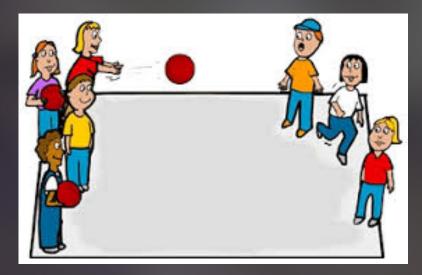
- Federal
- ➤ State
- Local Government (City/County)
- Foundation/Non-Profit



### **Grant Funding Sources:**

#### What is "pass-through" funding?

- The federal government allows grant recipients to act as passthrough entities in order to provide funding to other recipients. The pass-through entity receives federal funds which it "passes on" or "passes through it" to other recipients.
- The entity that receives funds from a pass-through entity is considered a subrecipient. This usually occurs when a federal program lacks the organizational capabilities to provide assistance directly to the final recipients and requires support from other entities to do so.





#### **Challenges of Federal Grants:**

- Must comply with National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requirements.
  - May require site surveys (cultural, botanical, wildlife).
  - Categorical Exclusion (CE), Environmental Assessment (EA) or Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) must be prepared.
  - Federal agency is responsible for issuing a Decision and/or Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI).





#### **Challenges of Federal Grants:**

- Non-federal matching funds required in most cases.
- Additional purchasing and contracting requirements.
- In general, more documentation required for reimbursement and reporting (quarterly).



### Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF):

- Federal funding from the National Park Service
- Nevada Division of State Parks is the pass-through entity.
- ➤ 50/50 non-federal match required.





# Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF):

Funding to be used for development of local parks, playgrounds, and other recreational spaces. Funding can be used to:

- Acquire lands and waters for public outdoor recreation
- Develop basic outdoor recreation facilities for the public
- Renovate existing outdoor recreation facilities
- A combination of the above.



### **LWCF Current Projects:**

Rancho San Rafael Regional Park - All-Inclusive Playground (\$455,000):

- Selected by NV Division of State Parks, final award in March 2021.
- Playground renovation and ADA improvements.
- Non-federal match provided through staff time and WC-1 Bond Funds.

#### Riverbend Trailhead and River Access Path (\$212,000):

- Selected by NV Division of State Parks, final award in March 2021.
- New parking lot, access path, bridge crossings, signage, and site restoration.
- Non-federal match provided through staff time, volunteer hours, WC-1 bond funds, and SQ-1 bond funds.







#### LWCF Past Projects:

Washoe County Land Water and Conservation Grants

Project	Grant Award	Year Awarded	Federal #
Davis Creek Park	\$112,458.00	1967	32-00009
Crystal Peak Park Acquisition	\$57,900.00	1972	32-00042
Lemmon Valley Park	\$50,533.60	1974	32-00082
Sun Valley Park	\$50,038.97	1975	32-00105
Hidden Valley Park	\$82,664.20	1977	32-00125
Washoe Co. Truckee River Acq.	\$80,377.37	1978	32-00144
Washoe Co Reg. Shooting Facility	\$69,671.25	1978	32-00148
Washoe Co Reg. Shooting Facility #2	\$50,880.00	1979	32-00169A
South Hills Community Park Development	\$91,584.00	1979	32-00169B
Galena Creek Park Development	\$81,408.00	1979	32-00169C
Galena Creek Park - Phase II	\$101,596.79	1998	32-00172B
Mayberry Park-Phase II	\$50,880.00	1980	32-00172E
Rancho San Rafael Phase I	\$458,812.40	1981	32-00177E
Silver Knolls Park Development	\$37,000.00	1984	32-00188F
Great Basin Interpretive Trail	\$33,000.00	1987	32-00203
Truckee River Land Acquisitions	\$26,500.00	1995	32-00238
Camp WeCheMe Hatchery Renovation	\$165,000.00	2004	
Camp WeChMe Restroom/Parking Lot	\$250,000.00	2005	32-00276
Pah Rah Interpretive Center	\$150,000.00	2006	32-00290-1
Playground Rehabilitation Projects	\$224,744.00	2010	32-00315
Mogul Playground Rehabilitation Project	\$86,750.00	2011	32-00320
Trails Rehabilitation Project	\$63,993.79	2012	32-00321
North Valleys Playground Rehabilitation Project	\$126,207.50	2014	32-00333
South Valley Playground Resurfacing	\$91,207.50	2016	32-00339
	\$2,593,207.37		





#### Recreational Trails Program (RTP):

- Federal funding from the Federal Highway Administration
- Nevada Division of State Parks is the pass-through entity.
- > 20% non-federal match required.





### Recreational Trails Program (RTP):

Funding to be used for motorized, non-motorized, and educational recreational trail projects. Funding can be used for:

- New trail construction or existing trail restoration
- Trailhead facilities (restrooms, signage, kiosks, etc.)
- Purchase of tools for trail work.
- Land acquisition for trail purposes.
- Safety and educational programs.
- Trail planning, engineering/design documents.







### **RTP Current Projects:**

Ballardini Ranch to Thomas Creek Connector Trail (\$40,000):

- Awarded in 2019, still waiting on final paperwork.
- New trail construction and signage.
- Non-federal match provided through staff time and WC-1 Bond Funds.

#### Sierra Front Trail System Planning (\$97,000):

- Application submitted in fall 2020, awards announced in December.
- Planning costs including site plans, site surveys, and environmental assessment (EA).
- Non-federal match provided through staff time and WC-1 bond funds.





#### **RTP Current Projects:**

#### Trail Maintenance and Repair (\$62,000):

- Application submitted in fall 2020, awards announced in December.
- Trail maintenance and repair on sections of Galena Creek Trail, Lower Whites Creek Trail, Huffaker Hills Loop Trails, Browns Creek Trail, and Ballardini Ranch Loop Trails.
- Non-federal match provided through staff time, Infrastructure Preservation (IP), and WC-1 bond funds.





#### **RTP Past Projects:**

RTP Grant History		
Hidden Valley	2004	\$31,260
Galena 1	2005	\$100,000
Galena 2	2006	\$69,700
Trails Guide 1	2007	\$19,680
Sun Valley RP	2008	\$100,000
Trails Guide 2	2008	\$25,000
Silverlake	2008	\$82,262
Bowers-Davis		
South Maintenance	2010	\$96,868
North Maintenance	2008	\$ 81,073.00
Huffaker Hills		<u>\$ 61,100.00</u>
Total Funds Received:		\$666,943



#### Hazardous Fuels – Community Protection (HF-CP):

- Federal funding from the Forest Service
- Nevada Division of Forestry is the passthrough entity.
- > 10% or more non-federal match required.





#### Hazardous Fuels – Community Protection (HF-CP):

Funding to mitigate wildfire risk within Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) areas. Funding can be used for:

- Hazardous fuels reduction.
- Restoration of fire-adapted ecosystems.





#### **HF-CP Current and Past Projects:**

#### Arrowcreek Hazardous Fuels Treatment #2 (\$39,000):

- Awarded in 2018, project completed in 2020.
- Fuels reduction treatments in Arrowcreek open space included mastication and sheep grazing. In partnership with Arrowcreek HOA.
- Non-federal match provided through staff time and donated sheep grazing from Borda Land and Sheep Co.

#### Arrowcreek Hazardous Fuels Treatment #1 (\$24,000):

- Awarded in 2014, project completed in 2015
- Fuels reduction treatments in Arrowcreek open space in partnership with Arrowcreek HOA.
- Non-federal match provided through use of equipment, inmate work crew hours, and staff time.



#### Landscape Scale Restoration (LSR):

- Federal funding from the Forest Service
- Nevada Division of Forestry is the pass-through entity.
- ➢ 50/50 non-federal match required.



# Landscape Scale Restoration (LSR):

Funding to address local or statewide forest and rangeland resource issues, along with goals and strategies in Nevada's Forest Action Plan(FAP). Funding can be used to:

- Assess needs and develop plans (e.g., landscape scale or watershed restoration plans).
- Conduct actions or treatments on a broad scale to increase and maintain landscape resistance to disturbance and resiliency following disturbance.
- Increase forest related benefits to rural communities.
- Provide education and outreach to train landowners or organizations in sound stewardship practices.





### LSR Current and Past Projects:

Washoe County Parks & Open Space Weed Management and Revegetation (\$100,000):



- Application submitted in 2020, subgrant awards announced in October.
- Noxious weed inventories and treatments, revegetation including seeding and planting of container stock.
- Non-federal match provided through staff time, volunteer hours, and Truckee River Fund Grant #240.

#### Medusahead Grant (\$206,000):

- Awarded in 2014, project completed in 2018.
- Weed inventories and treatments targeted at Medusahead.
- Non-federal match provided through staff time, volunteer hours, and Truckee River Fund Grants.





### NDOW Hunter Education Program – Shooting Range Grant:

- Federal funding from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.
- Nevada Department of Wildlife is the pass-through entity.
- 25% non-federal match required.





#### NDOW Hunter Education Program – Shooting Range Grant:

Funding to encourage significant improvements, prioritize safety and environmental concerns, increase hours and public accessibility and create more facilities to host hunter education program activities.



#### NDOW Shooting Range Grant Current Projects:

Regional Shooting and Archery Facility Improvements (\$376,000):

- Awarded in 2020.
- Development of a Master Plan for the Regional Archery Facility. Road/drainage improvements, classroom update, berm improvements at the Regional Shooting Facility.
- Non-federal match provided through staff time, volunteer hours, Infrastructure Preservation (IP), and medium equipment purchase.



#### Truckee River Fund (TRF):

- Local funding through Truckee Meadows Water Authority (TMWA).
- Community Foundation of Western Nevada is the pass-through entity.
- > 25% minimum match required.



#### Truckee River Fund (TRF):

Funding to protect and enhance water quality or water resources of the Truckee River or its watershed. Funding can be used for:

- Projects that improve bank or channel stabilization and decrease erosion.
- Structural controls or Low Impact Development projects on tributaries and drainages of the Truckee River...
- Projects that remove pollution from the Truckee River.
- Projects that remove or control invasive aquatic specie or terrestrial invasive plant species that are adverse to the water supply.





#### TRF Current and Past Projects:

TRF #240 – Truckee River Park and Open Space Weed Treatments and Revegetation (\$45,000):

- Awarded in 2020 for treatments through 2022.
- Noxious weed inventories, weed treatments, revegetation through seeding and planting.
- Match provided through staff time and volunteer hours.

# TRF #220 – Weed Treatments and Revegetation in the Truckee River Corridor (\$45,000):

- Awarded in 2019, project completion in November 2020.
- Noxious weed inventories, weed treatments, revegetation through seeding and planting.
- Match provided through staff time and volunteer hours.





#### **Other Foundation Grants:**

#### > William N. Pennington:

- Current projects include Bowers Mansion Restoration and Bowers Pool Maintenance and Repair.
- > Wilbur D. May Foundation:
  - Funds go to the Arboretum and Museum at Rancho San Rafael Regional Park.



### Future Grant Opportunities:

- Carson-Truckee Water Conservancy:
  - Local funding for weed abatement along the Truckee River.
- Nonpoint Source Grant Program (319h):
  - State funding for weed abatement based on watershed plans.
- Nevada Federal Lands Access Program (FLAP):
  - Improve transportation facilities that provide access to federal lands. Potential trailhead development along the Truckee River.







